Ronald George Groundsell

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NEWPORT

Model-maker's Death.- The death occurred on Sunday at St. Mary's Hospital of Mr. Ronald George Groundsell, of 16 Prospect Road, aged 61. An Islander, he was a fireman during the last war and was commended by National Fire Service headquarters for bravery during the air attack on Cowes, in May, 1942. As a result of the incident which earned the commendation he temporarily lost his sight. He had been employed by British Railways as a driver, and latterly on less strenuous duties. He was a keen model-maker, and had been a member of the I.W. Model Engineering Society for 25 years. He was reputed to have one of the best equipped private workshops in the south of England, and at the time of his death had under construction five models of steam locomotives.

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The Late Mr. R. G. Groundsell.- The funeral took place on Thursday week of Mr. Ronald George Groundsell, aged 61, of 16 Prospect Road, whose death was reported last week. The service at St. John's Church was conducted by the Rev. L. J. D. Wheatley (vicar of St. Paul's, Barton). The 23rd psalm and the hymn "When I survey the wondrous cross" were sung. The mourners included Mr. and Mrs. H. Y Groundsell, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Groundsell, and Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Groundsell (brothers and sisters-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Ferguson, Mr. J. Cass (representing his wife), and Miss A. Groundsell (brothers-in-law and sisters), Mr. and Mrs. Douse and Mr. V. Richards. Among the wreaths were those form the Model Engineering Society, the County Fire Service, workmates at British Railways, and the firm of F. G. Groundsell, all of whom were represented. Messrs. Hunter and Coombes were also represented. Interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery in the grave of his mother. Mr. F. G. Groundsell made the arrangements.

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